

authority, on British ground
under Bonds of good & behaviour
We met Story Hunt at Montreal
and but that I am incapable
of violating confidence, even
when made at a Public table,
I could tell you some thing
amusing.

Lady Leppoy and my daughter
join in kindest regards and
remembrances to yourself and
Mrs Gray

and believe me always truly
yours

J. H. Leppoy

Prof. Asa Gray -

Quebec

July 6, 1877

My dear Professor.

I very much fear that in the
delays occasioned by our constant
change of place, I may have lost
my chance of replying to your
kind letter of congratulation
before you leave for the Yellowstone
it reached me at Toronto which
we left on the 20th June and have
since done our duty as diligent
Tourists at Ottawa, Prescott
Montreal and this place. We
embark to-morrow. It is pleasant
to have floated to the top of a
modest ambition in company
with a friend who started in
life with me 38 years ago,
but who has his own modesty only
thank for not having ^{received} ~~received~~
it years ago. There is not a

a scientific man in England or
elsewhere I am sure who will
not think that Hooker confers
more lustre on the Star of India
than he receives from it. I am
afraid St. Michael's will not
take the same pride in his
neophyte. The One Horse on the
to June was a Parable. That
was I believe the day of your
distinction, which you know
of before I did. The news found
us out at Niagara. However
philosophical for himself I
am sure Hooker will have
pleasure in restoring to Lady
H a little she renounced for
his sake - but as I hope to
write to him I shall say this
for myself.

We have greatly enjoyed our
tour - and by aid of kind
friends everywhere have seen
and done every thing possible

except a descent of the Timber
slides at Ottawa for which all
preparations were made - but
time did not permit it, much to
my regret, as but a favored few
can boast of this feat. The Prince
of Wales is one of them a proof
that there is no real danger in
it.

I have seen in a library here a
Flore canadienne par l'Abbé
le Provancher. 2 vols. for Dar-
-veau - Quebec 1862. Do you
know of it? The cuts are very
coarse. I fancy he was a Prof.
in the university here - although
that is as antiquated as every
thing else in this old worn city.
The Botany appeared to be
modern.

I trust you may have a delightful
tour to the Yellow Stone and
bring back your Hair. 'Sitting
Bull' is I hear on good terms